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CUYAMA SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS SCHEDULED TO BEGIN IN MARCH

SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY – A project to improve the existing pavement on a portion of Hwy. 166 in Cuyama will begin this Spring. The "Cuyama Rehabilitation Project" includes a widening of the traffic lanes to twelve feet and the shoulders to four feet.

This project will also install two left turn lanes at New Cuyama High School and New Cuyama Elementary School. The Branch Canyon and Salisbury Canyon Bridges will also be widened.

Work on this project will take place Monday through Friday at various times. There will be one way reversing traffic control when work is underway. Motorists can expect a delay not to exceed 10 minutes.

This project is expected to be complete in the Summer of 2009. This \$17 million project has been funded with a combination of state and federal funds.

For traffic updates on other state highway projects in San Luis Obispo County, the public can call Caltrans District 5 at 805-549-3318 or visit the District 5 website at: http://dot.ca.gov/dist05/main/road/upsb.htm

